

**SHORT SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS OF THE 33RD MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC
REVIEW GROUP ON TRADE IN WILD FAUNA AND FLORA¹
13 JUNE 2005**

The SRG took the following decisions under Articles 4.1(a)(i) and 4.2(a) of Council Regulation (EC) N° 338/97:

**1) Negative opinions² for import of specimens from the following species/
countries combinations:**

<i>Agapornis pullarius</i>	Ivory Coast
<i>Poicephalus robustus</i>	Ivory Coast
<i>Pelochelys cantorii</i>	Indonesia
<i>Peltocephalus dumeriliana</i>	Guyana
<i>Balaeniceps rex</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo
<i>Agaricia agaricites</i>	Haiti
<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i>	Brazil

2) Negative opinions for import of specimens of the following species/countries combinations maintained – NOT to be formalised in the Suspensions regulation:

<i>Ursus arctos</i>	Romania
<i>Tridacna gigas</i>	Solomon Islands

3) No opinion for import of specimens of the following species/countries combinations

<i>Amyda cartilaginea</i>	Indonesia All applications to be referred to SRG
<i>Python sebae</i>	Niger All applications to be referred to SRG
<i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo All applications to be referred to SRG
<i>Prunus africana</i>	Kenya All applications to be referred to SRG
<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i>	All Range States (except Peru and Brazil) All applications to be referred to SRG

¹ Subject to confirmation by the Members of the Scientific Review Group. Further, it is understood that the above opinions are also those of each Scientific Authority and will be reflected in any opinion given in relation to the application of Art. 4.1(a) and 4.2(a) of Regulation 338/97. These opinions will remain valid unless or until circumstances related to the trade or conservation status of the species change significantly.

² Recommendation based on the following guidelines: The species is in trade or is likely to be in trade, and introduction to the Community from the country of origin at current or anticipated levels of trade is likely to have a harmful effect on the conservation status of the species or the extent of the territory occupied by the species.

4) Positive opinion for import of specimens of the following species/countries combinations:

<i>Python sebae</i>	United Republic of Tanzania
<i>Psittacus erithacus</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo
<i>Scotopelia bouvieri</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo
<i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo
<i>Chamaeleo ellioti</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo
<i>Chamaeleo johnstoni</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo
<i>Acropora</i> spp.	Haiti
<i>Prunus africana</i>	Cameroon, Madagascar
<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i>	Peru

5) Import suspensions for the following species/countries recommended for removal:

<i>Poicephalus gularis</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo
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- 6) *Ursus arctos* / Romania: Romania presented their management plan for the species. However, the SRG did not reverse the negative opinion, pending further information and discussion in October.
- 7) *Manis temminckii* / Democratic Republic of the Congo: It was agreed that the Democratic Republic of the Congo should be removed as a range State for *Manis temminckii* from the UNEP-WCMC database and that imports should, therefore, not be accepted.
- 8) *Swietenia macrophylla* / Peru: Establishment of an export quota. Progress would be verified in a further mission in March/April 2006. Peru would provide an update for next SRG.
- 9) Scleractinia / Indonesia: The SRG recommended retention of the exclusion of maricultured specimens from the scope of the import suspensions applied to corals from Indonesia. However, it also recommended that customs inspect shipments to ensure that the exemption is not abused.
- 10) *Hippocampus denise* / Indonesia. The SRG agreed to deal with this species/country by written procedure, pending receipt of further information from France.
- 11) Guidelines for Scientific Authorities: The SRG agreed in principle that the guidelines should direct Member States to take account of pre-shipment mortality and the possible effects of demand for replacement specimens of sensitive species when making non-detriment findings for imports under Article 4 of Regulation 338/97. The drafting of those recommendations would be discussed at the next meeting.